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TITLE OF INVENTION: MRAM SENSE LAYER AREA CONTROL

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# Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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